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Destruction of Forest Areas for Developmental Projects (Project-wise)

Sl.No.	Project Category	Number of Cases Approved	Area Diverted (in Hectare) During 1980-2003
1.	Hydroelectric Projects	202	57945.302
2.	Thermal Power	17	3340.127
3.	Transmission Lines	1361	22496.702
4.	Irrigation	1691	82197.573
5.	Railways	98	5421.274
6.	Roads	2241	14824.279
7.	Defence	142	99253.742
8.	Mining	1010	80070.403
9.	Dispensary/Hospitals	18	56.261
10.	Schools	95	2309.254
11.	Drinking Water	1209	936.591
12.	Others	2274	503940.485
	TOTAL :	10358	872791.991

Full-time Director in IIFM

396. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Forest Management is without a full-time Director for a very long time and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) by when the post is likely to be filled in on a regular basis; and

(c) whether the full-time Director would be selected from the Indian Forest Service so as to ensure functional and professional efficiency and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) The post of full-time Director has been lying vacant with effect from 14th January, 2002 after the repatriation of the incumbent Dr. Ram Prasad to his parent cadre of Madhya Pradesh.

(b) The selection procedure for the post has been completed and the appointment of a Director on regular basis is under an advanced stage of consideration of Government.

(c) The search-cum-selection committee appointed for suggesting a panel of names for the post has taken into consideration the functional and professional requirements of the job before making recommendations to the Government.

Census of Tigers

397. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the census figures for tigers in the wild, in the States of Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, West Bengal, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat and Nagaland forest, division-wise, since 1970 as per the various censuses conducted therein alongwith details of breakup of males, females, cubs, etc., for each of the censuses, for each of the forest divisions of each State; and

(b) the steps being taken for tiger conservation in the State of Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Government monitors only State level estimation of wild tiger population in the country. The census figures State-wise since 1972 are given in the Statement enclosed (*See* below).

(b) There are no wild tigers in the State of Gujarat and hence the question of taking steps for their conservation does not arise.

Statement

Population of Tigers in the country as reported by the States

Sl. No.	Name of the State	1972	1979	1984	1989	1993	1997	2001-02**
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Tamil Nadu	33	65	97	95	97	62	60
2.	Maharashtra	160	174	301	417	276	257	238
3.	West Bengal	73	296	352	353	335	361	349